

Preface

This Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the 2010-2029 Forest Stewardship Plan (FSP) was developed by GeoSpatial International for the proposed 2001 – 2010 Sustainable Forest Management Plan (SFMP) which was under development. As detailed in Section 1.6.4 of the FSP, a new SFMP was not submitted following the expiry of the 1991-1998 Forest Resource Management Plan but long term plan development continued while annual Operating and Renewal Plans (ORP) were licensed under the Manitoba Environment Act.

The draft EIS was updated in 2004, by Miette Environmental Consulting Inc., for the Interim 2006-2008 Forest Stewardship Plan, which was developed and made publically available, to address Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certification requirements.

The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), prepared and submitted along with the 2010-2029 Forest Stewardship Plan (FSP), was updated by Tembec to reflect revisions to the 2010-2029 FSP resulting from the Manitoba's Submission Guidelines for Twenty Year Forest Management Plans, refinements to the Tembec Environmental Management System, refinements to the Tembec Local Level Indicator monitoring program, requirements in the FSC Boreal Standard and sustainability modeling conducted by Manitoba Conservation and The Forestry Corp., under contract to Tembec.